## STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

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SILVER DISTRICT COMMUNICATIONS L.L.C.

CASE NO. PUR-2019-00150

For certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services in the Commonwealth of Virginia

## ORDER FOR NOTICE AND COMMENT

On September 10, 2019, SILVER DISTRICT COMMUNICATIONS L.L.C. ("SILVER DISTRICT" or "Company"), filed an application with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia ("Application").

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of the Application, is of the opinion and finds that it should docket the Company's Application; that SILVER DISTRICT should give notice to the public of its Application; that interested persons should have an opportunity to comment and request a hearing on the Company's Application; and that the Staff of the Commission ("Staff") should conduct an investigation into the reasonableness of the Application and present its findings in a report ("Staff Report").

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) This case is docketed and assigned Case No. PUR-2019-00150.
- (2) On or before October 18, 2019, SILVER DISTRICT shall complete publication of the following notice to be published on one occasion, as classified advertising, in newspapers having general circulation throughout its proposed service territory:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION BY SILVER DISTRICT COMMUNICATIONS L.L.C., FOR CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE LOCAL EXCHANGE AND INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA CASE NO. PUR-2019-00150

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Copies of the Application are available for public inspection between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, in the Commission's Document Control Center located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219. Copies of the Application also may be downloaded from the Commission's website: <a href="http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case">http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case</a>, or may be ordered from SILVER DISTRICT's counsel: Eric M. Page, Esquire, and Cody T. Murphey, Esquire, Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC, Suite 1300, 919 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219.

On or before November 1, 2019, any person desiring to comment on SILVER DISTRICT's Application may do so by directing such comments in writing to the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth below. Interested persons desiring to submit comments electronically may do so by following the instructions on the Commission's website: <a href="http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case">http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case</a>. A hard copy of the comments, whether submitted in writing or electronically, shall be served on SILVER DISTRICT's counsel at the address set forth above.

On or before November 1, 2019, any person may request a hearing on SILVER DISTRICT's Application. If not filed electronically, an original and fifteen (15) copies of the request for hearing shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth below. Requests shall include: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the filing party; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; (iii) a statement of the legal basis for such action; and (iv) a precise statement why a

hearing should be conducted in the matter. Persons filing a request for hearing shall serve a copy of their request upon SILVER DISTRICT's counsel at the address set forth above.

All written communications to the Commission concerning SILVER DISTRICT's Application shall be directed to Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118, and shall refer to Case No. PUR-2019-00150.

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- (3) On or before October 18, 2019, SILVER DISTRICT shall provide a copy of the notice contained in Ordering Paragraph (2) to each local exchange telephone carrier certificated in Virginia and each interexchange carrier certificated in Virginia by personal delivery or first class mail, postage prepaid, to the customary place of business. Lists of all current local exchange and interexchange carriers in Virginia are attached to this Order as Appendices A and B, respectively.
- (4) Any person desiring to comment on SILVER DISTRICT's Application may do so by directing such comments in writing, on or before November 1, 2019, to Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. Interested persons desiring to submit comments electronically may do so by following the instructions on the Commission's website: <a href="http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case">http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case</a>. A hard copy of such comments, whether submitted in writing or electronically, shall be served on SILVER DISTRICT's counsel: Eric M. Page, Esquire, and Cody T. Murphey, Esquire, Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC, Suite 1300, 919 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219.
- (5) On or before November 1, 2019, any person may request a hearing on SILVER DISTRICT's Application. If not filed electronically, an original and fifteen (15) copies of the

request for hearing shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Commission at the address in Ordering Paragraph (4). Written requests for hearing shall refer to Case No. PUR-2019-00150 and shall include: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the filing party; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; (iii) a statement of the legal basis for such action; and (iv) a precise statement why a hearing should be conducted in the matter. A copy also shall be served on SILVER DISTRICT at the address in Ordering Paragraph (4).

- (6) On or before November 8, 2019, SILVER DISTRICT shall file with the Commission proof of notice and proof of service as ordered herein.
- (7) Staff shall analyze the reasonableness of SILVER DISTRICT's Application and present its findings in a Staff Report to be filed on or before November 15, 2019.
- (8) On or before November 22, 2019, SILVER DISTRICT may file responses to the Staff Report or to any comments or requests for hearing filed with the Commission. If not filed electronically, an original and fifteen (15) copies of any responses shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Commission at the address in Ordering Paragraph (4). A copy of the response shall be delivered by overnight delivery to Staff and the Commission's Office of General Counsel and to any persons who filed comments or requests for hearing.
- (9) The Company shall respond to written interrogatories or data requests within seven (7) calendar days after the receipt of the same. Persons who filed requests for hearing shall provide to the Company, Staff, and any other persons who filed requests for hearing, promptly upon request, any work papers or documents used in preparation of their requests for hearing. Except as so modified, discovery shall be in accordance with Part IV of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 5 VAC 5-20-240 et seq.

- (10) The Company shall respond promptly to requests from interested persons for copies of the Application and shall provide one copy free of charge. Copies also are available for public inspection between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, in the Commission's Document Control Center located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219. Copies of the Application also may be downloaded from the Commission's website: <a href="http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case">http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case</a>.
- (11) In accordance with 20 VAC 5-417-20 G 1 b of the Commission's Rules Governing the Certification and Regulation of Competitive Local Exchange Carriers, SILVER DISTRICT shall provide a performance or surety bond in the amount of \$50,000 in a form to be prescribed by Staff. This bond shall be provided to the Commission's Division of Public Utility Regulation within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order.
  - (12) This matter is continued.

AN ATTESTED COPY hereof shall be sent by the Clerk of the Commission to:

Eric M. Page, Esquire and Cody T. Murphey, Esquire, Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC,

Suite 1300, 919 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219; and C. Meade Browder, Jr., Senior

Assistant Attorney General, Division of Consumer Counsel, Office of the Attorney General,

202 N. 9th Street, 8th Floor, Richmond, Virginia 23219-3424. A copy also shall be delivered to
the Commission's Office of General Counsel and Divisions of Public Utility Regulation and

Public Service Taxation.